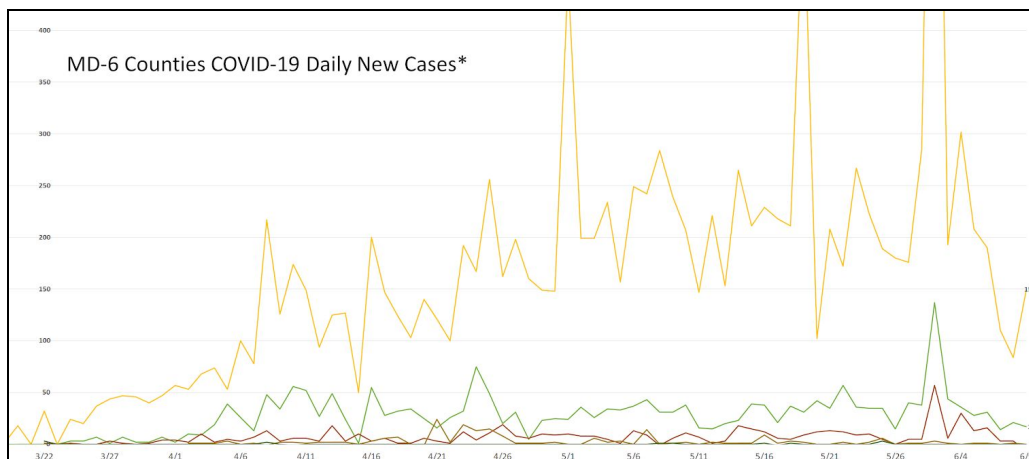
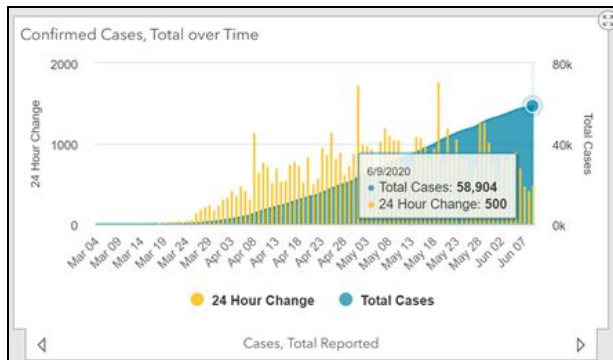
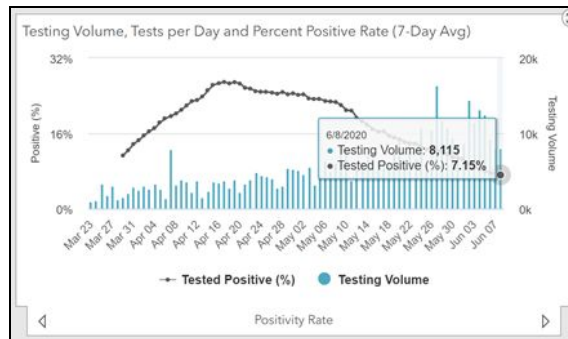
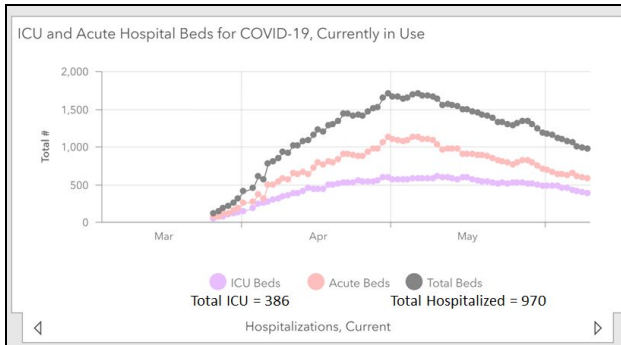


## Coronavirus Update: June 9th Congressman David Trone (MD-06)

### Stats @ June 9, 5 pm

Governor Larry Hogan is tracking trends in **hospitalizations** and **ICU beds**, as well as testing capacity and positivity rates, for indications on state reopening decisions. Gov. Hogan has given local governments flexibility for reopening decisions, based on local conditions. Most of the charts below are from the state's [coronavirus](#) website.

### MARYLAND DATA



\*6/2 data aggregate for 5/29 - 6/2.

[Total cases reported](#): MoCo 12,968, Fred 2,152, Wash 545, Alleg 186, Garrett 10. MD:58,904, MD deaths:2,686. As of 5PM, the U.S. had recorded 1,973,803 confirmed cases and 111,751 deaths due to Coronavirus ([JHU](#)).

## Federal Updates

- Lockdowns were highly effective in slowing the spread of the coronavirus in several countries, including the United States, and prevented tens of millions of infections and millions of deaths, according to two studies published in Nature ([NPR](#)).
- After the latest jobs report showed an unexpected rebound in hiring, Senators are debating whether to extend a substantial package of unemployment benefits enacted to help Americans weather the pandemic. Several Democrats are pushing to extend the \$600-a-week benefit, scheduled to expire July 31, warning that curtailing or eliminating it would risk undermining the potential for a recovery. Republicans argue that the extra funds discourage people from returning to work, and have relayed stories of businesses reopening in their states that have struggled to hire employees. ([NYTimes](#))
- After a World Health Organization official yesterday said that asymptomatic transmission of COVID-19 is “very rare,” the organization clarified its position today, saying much remains unknown about whether people without symptoms are widely spreading the virus. WHO officials noted that some countries using contact tracing have not found many instances of asymptomatic spread. At the same time, they also acknowledged that some modeling studies have suggested as much as 41 percent of transmission may be due to asymptomatic people. ([Washington Post](#))

## Maryland Updates

- State and union officials announced yesterday that Maryland’s first correctional officer has died of COVID-19. She was in her 60s and worked at Baltimore’s Central Booking facility. Gov. Hogan announced universal testing for correctional workers and incarcerated individuals on May 20th, but news reports indicate widespread testing has so far taken place only at Jessup. ([Baltimore Sun](#))
- On Monday, the number of hospitalizations in the state fell below 1,000 for the first time since April. Officials reported 970 hospitalizations Tuesday, nine fewer than Monday, extending a streak of daily declines to 13. Hospitalizations have dropped 43% overall since May 6th. ([Baltimore Sun](#))

## District Updates

- Montgomery County
  - a. Tuesday morning the Maryland Department of Health reported 12,968 cases of COVID-19 in Montgomery County, which is an increase of 150 cases from the 12,818 cases reported Monday. 628 county residents have died from COVID-19. This is an increase of eight deaths since Monday. The positivity rate of 9.6%, reported Tuesday by the state health department, is the third-highest in the state, behind Prince George’s at 11.78% and Kent at 10.34%.
  - b. Monday afternoon, Montgomery County updated ten metrics that are guiding county efforts to reopen businesses and lift the stay-at-home order. Of these ten metrics, the criteria have been met for seven. The remaining three are the number of new cases, the hospital acute care beds utilization, and increased testing capacity.
  - c. County Executive Marc Elrich released a statement Friday, updating residents on his plan to maintain stay-at-home orders. “We are evaluating Governor Hogan’s new Executive Order and are in the process of determining if any of his Phase II provisions will work with our Phase I policies and guidelines. Elrich said the county is following recommendations from the CDC and public health experts, who suggest a 14 day improvement in COVID-19 cases before proceeding to further reopening stages.
  - d. A new Montgomery County program can help small for-profit businesses in the community that have been hurt economically by the coronavirus pandemic. From June 10-16, applications will open

for the Microenterprise Stabilization Program. Funds to support the initiative include \$1 million from the Community Development Block Grant and the CARES Act programs.

- e. Yilan City, Rockville's Taiwanese sister city, donated 10,000 surgical face masks Friday to help the city combat COVID-19. Masks will likely be distributed to local nursing homes, the local volunteer fire department and police.
- f. The Montgomery County Police Department announced they will be hosting a food drive, No Empty Plates For People and Their Pets, on June 11 to provide members of the community with essential food items. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the curbside drop off site, 100 Edison Park Drive in Gaithersburg.

- Frederick County

- a. As of Saturday, there are 2,135 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Frederick County, up 22 cases from Friday. No additional deaths have been reported, and 44 additional people have been released from isolation. The positivity rate has dropped from 8.8 percent on Thursday to 7.9 percent on Saturday.
- b. On Friday, Frederick County began implementing Phase 2 of the Governor's Roadmap to Recovery plan.
- c. County Executive Jan Gardner's executive order follows Hogan's order for the most part. She has added some requirements, like having personal services such as barbershops and hair salons schedule special hours in the morning for seniors and those more vulnerable to complications from the virus.

- Washington County

- a. The number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Washington County was 551 on Monday, according to the Maryland Department of Health. That's up by three cases since Sunday. The number of deaths related to COVID-19 remained 16.
- b. Free walk-in testing sites are scheduled for Friday at 126 W. High St. in Hancock and on June 19 at 12627 Broadfording Road in Clear Spring. Both sites will be open from 9 a.m. to noon. Referrals and appointments are not needed.
- c. Meritus Health has changed its hours for its free drive-thru COVID-19 testing center at 13620 Crayton Blvd, north of Hagerstown. As of Monday, the hours will be 8-4:30 on Monday through Friday and 11-3 on Saturdays and Sundays.

- Allegany County

- a. Began Phase 2 of the Governor's Roadmap to Recovery Plan on Friday.
- b. Allegany County reported its 185th case of COVID-19 on Monday.
- c. The County has issued nearly \$1 million in grants to more than 200 area small businesses in recent weeks to assist the entities during the coronavirus outbreak. The latest round of grants, totaling more than \$800,000, was made possible by the federal coronavirus relief package. There will be another round of grants.

- Garrett County

- a. Began Phase 2 of the Governor's Roadmap to Recovery Plan on Friday. Commission Chairman Paul Edwards says he believes that Garrett County could be opening faster than is allowed by Governor Hogan's timeline.
- b. Garrett County health officials said all staff and residents at Oakland Nursing and Rehabilitation Center had tested negative for the coronavirus. They were tested last week in conjunction with a state initiative to test all long-term care facilities.